Investment by NRIs in Education

1210. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to invite Non-Resident Indians to make investment in the field of education; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) Proposals received in this regard are considered on a case to case basis. The Government in the Department of Education has approved two proposals from Indian companies to set up schools with foreign or NRI investment.

U.P. Irrigation Projects, Awaiting Central Clearance

1211. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh have sent any proposal of irrigation projects for clearance, to Central Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) by when these projects are likely to be cleared;

(d) the details of the irrigation projects cleared by the Central Government during the period from 1st March, till date; and

(e) the funds earmarked for these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYANAIDU): (a) and (b) Details of new major and medium irrigation projects of U.P. pending clearance are given in the attached Statement. (*See* below)

(c) Clearance of projects depends upon how soon the State Government complies with the observations of Central Appraising Agencies and obtains environmental/forests/rehabilitation and resettlement plans clearances.

(d) One medium irrigation project namely 'providing kharif channels in Hindon-Krishni Doab' envisaging annual irrigation of 3,000 hectares has been given investment clearance by the Planning Commission in July, 1995 at an estimated cost of Rs. 11.83 crores.

(e) An expenditure of Rs. 2.77 crores has been incurred till March, 1992. The VIII Plan outlay for the project is Rs. 23.31 crores. Against this the estimated expenditure during 1992—95 is Rs. 0.65 crores. The Working Group of the Planning Commission has recommended an outlay of Rs. 3 crores for the year 1995-96.

Statement

Status of new major & medium irrigation project of Uttar Pradesh pending clearance

Sl. No.	Name of Project	Estimated cost (Rs. in crores)	Benefits in hectares	Status of Appraisal
1	2	3	4	5
I.	PROJECTS PUT UP TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE & ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE OF CERTAIN OBSERVATIONS			
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1.	**Bewar Feeder**	27.91	9,800 (Addl.)	Accepted by the Advisory Committee on 28th April, 1992 for Rs. 27.91 crores subject to the clearance by Ministry of Environment & Forest from environmental angle concurrance of State Finance Deptt. The State Govt. has not yet obtained those clearances.
2.	**Increasing Capacity of Zamania pump Canal.**	39.81	31,820 (Addl.)	Accepted by the Advisory Committee on 28th April, 1992 for Rs. 39.81 crores subject to the clearance by Ministry of Environment & Forest from environmental angle. The State Govt. is required to comply with this observation.
3.	**Raising of Meja Dam**	52.18	17,880 (Addl.)	Short note accepted by the Advisory Committee on 26.3.93 subject to clearance from Ministry of Environment & Forests and committee advised State Government to complete this project for this finalised cost of Rs. 52.18 crores which includes cost for compensatory afforestation.
4.	**Bansagar canals**	190.27 (excluding share cost of dam & common works)	150,130	Supplementary Note accepted by the Advisory Committee on 27th January, 1994 for Rs. 190.27 crore subject to clearance by Ministry of Environment & Forests and concurrence of State Finance Department.
5.	**Rajghat Canals**	126.43	138,660 (Addl.)	Accepted by the Advisory Committee in Nov. 1993 for Rs. 126.43 crore subject to forest clearance and concurrence of the State Finance Department.

1	2	3	4	5
6.	Lining of Channels in Bundelkhand and Bhaghalkhand region.	57.37	27,780 (Addl.)	Accepted by the Advisory Committee in its 58th meeting held on 24th June, 94 for Rs. 57.37 crore subject to obtaining of Environmental clearance, concurrence of State Finance Department and assuring of adequate funds for quick completion of the project.
7.	Maudaha Dam	95.93	27,700	Considered and accepted by the Advisory Committee in November, 79 for Rs. 26.75 crores subject to certain observations. The State Govt. is required to submit updated cost estimate & obtain clearance from Ministry of Environment & Forests.

MEDIUM—NIL—

II. **Projects under correspondence**

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1.	Chittaurgarh Reservoir	30.33	11,830	The State Govt. is required to comply with the observations of Central Water Commission.
2.	Jarauli Pump Canal	27.54	46,450	—do—
3.	Kanhar Irrigation Scheme	174.27	33,130	—do—
4.	Modernisation of Ghaghar Canal	26.20	No additional Irrigation.	—do—

MEDIUM—NIL—

Progress in Identification of Creamy Layer of OBCs

1212. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the progress in identifying the Creamy Layer of the OBCs for whom 27% reservation has been effected in recruitment to Government Services;

(b) the status of work done regarding the implementation of reservation policy for OBCs, till date; and

(c) the action taken by National Commission for Backward Classes since its inception, in this regard, thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI K.V. THANGKA BALU): (a) The criteria for determining the 'Creamy Layer' has been given in the schedule to the DOPT's O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt. (SCT). dated 8.9.1993, according to which the creamy layer certificates are issued by the competent authorities.

(b) (i) The Government of India have notified the Central